

GAME NOTES

Merritt Centennials at Wenatchee Wild





Tonight the Wenatchee Wild (6-6-2), 14 pts., 6th Place Interior Div.) close out the weekend series with the Merritt Centennials (11-6-0, 22 pts., 1st Place, Interior Div.) in the third of six scheduled meetings this season.

HEAD TO HEAD: Merritt shook off a 2-0 deficit for the second time in two meetings with the Wild this year, going on to a 4-3 win in overtime last night. Wenatchee is now 5-6-1 all-time against the Centennials and 2-3-1 at home.

WHO TO WATCH FOR: Team captain Lucas Sowder leads Wenatchee with 16 points (4g, 12a). Christophe Fillion leads the team in goals with 9, while Cristophe Tellier, Matt Gosiewski, and Murphy Stratton have 12 points apiece. Brandon Koch has 12 points from the blue line. Merritt's Bradley Cocca leads the BCHL in scoring (8g, 16a). The Cents also get solid production from Mathieu Gosselin (10g, 10a) and Nick Granowicz (12g, 10a). Jaydon Fetter's 8 assists leads Merritt defensemen.

SPECIAL TEAMS: WEN PP – 13/63 20.6% 5th WEN PK – 11/54 79.6% 11th

MER PP - 17/106 16.0% 13th MER PK - 22/92 76.1% 15th

LAST NIGHT: Merritt fought off deficits of 2-0 and 3-2 to force overtime where Nick Granowicz completed a hat trick with the game winning goal.

MOVING ON: The Wild have three home games next week as they welcome Trail on Wednesday, Cowichan Valley on Friday, and Prince George on Saturday. Merritt is home next weekend to face Penticton on Friday and Victoria on Saturday.

MEDIA: Tonight's game will be aired locally on "Sports Radio 1340 The Hawk" and streamed free world wide, and available on a pay-per-view basis with HockeyTV.com. Pregame show airs tonight at 6:45 pm.

TONIGHT'S PROMOTIONS: The first 1,000 fans receive free "ThunderSticks" from Health Alliance. Also, it's "Diapers and Undies Toss Night", where fans toss unopened packages of diapers, undies, and wipes onto the ice following the first Wild goal to be collected by Womens Service League for those in need.

NEXT HOME GAME: The Wild host the Trail Smoke Eaters on Wednesday night. Game time is 6:00 pm, and the concession stands will have hot dogs, Rolling Rock beer, and Pepsi products available for just a dollar through the first intermission.

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